



# Bulletin board

## At the movies Feb. 1-17

### Baumholder, Wagon Wheel

**Feb. 1** — Bridget Jones: The Edge Of Reason (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 2-3** — Alexander (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 4-5** — Phantom Of The Opera (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 6** — Harry Potter And The Prisoner Of Azkaban (PG) 4 p.m. Phantom Of The Opera (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 7-8** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 9-10** — Harold And Kumar Go To White Castle (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 11** — Racing Stripes (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 12** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 13** — Racing Stripes (PG) 4 p.m. Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 14** — Racing Stripes (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 15** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 16-17** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.

### Büdingen, Little

**Feb. 4** — Seed Of Chucky (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 5** — Spongebob Squarepants Movie (PG) 3 p.m.  
**Feb. 11** — Bridget Jones: The Edge Of Reason (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 12** — National Treasure (PG) 3 p.m.

### Dexheim, Rhein

**Feb. 4** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 5** — Racing Stripes (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 6** — The Incredibles (PG) 3 p.m.  
**Feb. 11** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 12** — Coach Carter (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 13** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 3 p.m.

### Friedberg, Old Ironsides

**Feb. 3** — Alexander (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 4-5** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 6** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 10** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 11-12** — Spanglish (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 13** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 17** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.



Gerard Butler and Emmy Rossum star in "The Phantom of the Opera."



Philip Daniel Bolden and Ice Cube face off in "Are We There Yet?"

### Giessen, Skyline

**Feb. 1-2** — Closer (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 4** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 5** — The Grudge (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 6** — Closer (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 8** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 9** — Lemony Snickets (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 11** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 12** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 13** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 15-16** — Spanglish (PG-13) 7 p.m.

### Hanau, Evening Star

**Feb. 1** — Alexander (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 2** — Bridget Jones: The Edge Of Reason (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 3** — Alexander (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 4** — Are We There Yet? (PG) 7 p.m. Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 9:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 5-6** — Are We There Yet? (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 7** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 8** — National Treasure (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 9** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 10** — National Treasure (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 11-12** — Hide And Seek (R) 7 p.m. Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 9:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 13** — Hide And Seek (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 14** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 15** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 16** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 17** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.

### Rhein Main, Gardens

**Feb. 2** — Coach Carter (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 4** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 5** — Spongebob Squarepants Movie (PG) 5 p.m. Phantom Of The Opera (PG-13) 7:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 6** — Ladder 49 (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 9** — Are We There Yet? (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 11** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 12** — Racing Stripes (PG) 5 p.m. Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 13** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 16** — Hide And Seek (R) 7 p.m.

### Wackernheim, McCully

**Feb. 2** — Phantom Of The Opera (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 9** — Racing Stripes (PG) 6 p.m.

### Wiesbaden, Flyers

**Feb. 3** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 4** — After The Sunset (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 5** — Coach Carter (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 10** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 11** — Are We There Yet? (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 12** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 17** — Flight Of The Phoenix (PG-13) 7 p.m.

### Wiesbaden, Taunus

**Feb. 1** — Bridget Jones: The Edge Of Reason (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 2** — National Treasure (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 3** — Coach Carter (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 4** — Coach Carter (PG-13) 7 p.m. Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 9:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 5** — The Incredibles (PG) 4 p.m. After The Sunset (PG-13) 7 p.m. Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 9:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 6** — The Incredibles (PG) 4 p.m. Coach Carter (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 7** — Coach Carter (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 8** — Woman Thou Art Loosed (R) 7 p.m.  
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**Feb. 11** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m. Blade: Trinity (R) 9:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 12** — Are We There Yet? (PG) 4 p.m. Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m. Blade: Trinity (R) 9:30 p.m.  
**Feb. 13** — Are We There Yet? (PG) 4 p.m. Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 14** — Ocean's Twelve (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 15** — Are We There Yet? (PG) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 16** — Blade: Trinity (R) 7 p.m.  
**Feb. 17** — Hide And Seek (R) 7 p.m.

**Movies and times subject to change by local theaters. For the most up-to-date schedule visit the ASG's website (see address below).**

## Movie plots

**Blade: Trinity (R)** — Wesley Snipes returns as a vampire hunter in the third and final film in the Blade franchise. For years Blade has fought against the vampires in the cover of night, with the world unaware of the brutal ongoing war. But now, after falling into the crosshairs of the FBI, he is forced into the daylight where he is driven to join forces with human vampire hunters he never knew existed.

**Phantom Of The Opera (PG-13)** — Andrew Lloyd Webber's "The Phantom of the Opera" tells the story of a disfigured musical genius (Gerard Butler) who haunts the catacombs beneath the Paris Opera. When he falls in love with Christine (Emmy Rossum), the Phantom devotes himself to creating a new star for the opera, exerting a strange sense of control over the young soprano as he nurtures her extraordinary talents.

**Woman Thou Art Loosed (R)** — This is an adaptation of Bishop T.D. Jakes' self-help novel, chronicling a woman's struggle to come to terms with her legacy of abuse, addiction and poverty. Stars Kimberly Elise and Ricky Harris.

**Hide And Seek (R)** — Ann (Daryl Hannah) and Jack (Bruce Greenwood) are a happily married couple; however, their storybook life is rewritten when a deranged couple (Jennifer Tilly and Vincent Gallo) who are unable to have children kidnaps Ann as part of an evil scheme to steal her unborn child.

**Coach Carter (PG-13)** — Inspired by a true story, this is the controversial tale of a high school basketball coach who received both high praise and staunch criticism when he made national news in 1999 for benching his entire undefeated basketball team for poor academic performance. Stars Samuel L. Jackson and Ashanti.

**Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason (R)** — In this sequel Bridget Jones (portrayed by Renee Zellweger) discovers that life with Mark Darcy (Colin Firth) isn't quite as perfect as she dreamed. Also stars Hugh Grant and Jacinda Barrett.

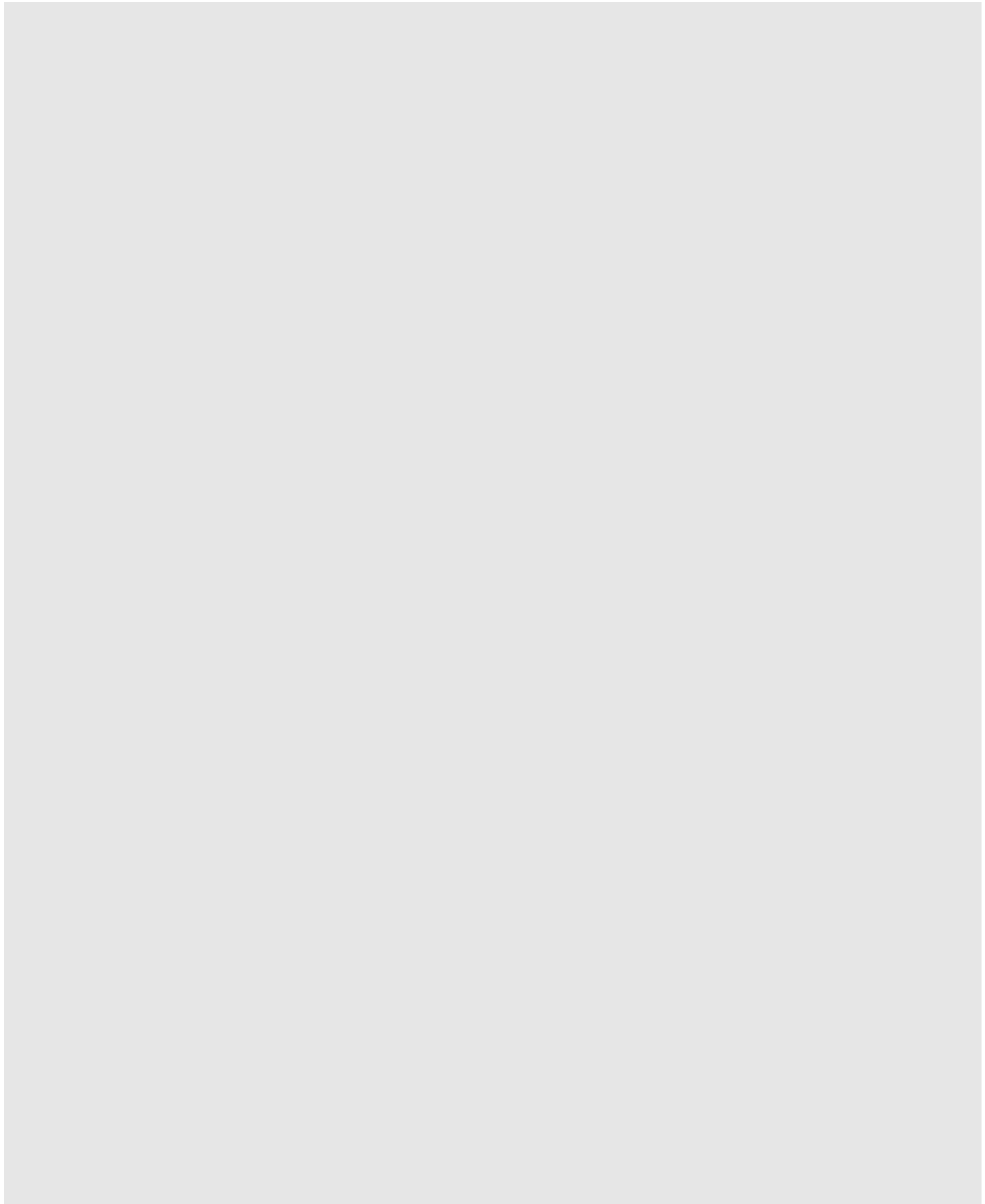
**National Treasure (PG)** — The film is a caper story about a secret code in the U.S. Constitution that reveals the whereabouts of a treasure buried during the 1700s. Nicolas Cage plays an archaeologist-historian on the hunt for the treasure.

**Racing Stripes (PG)** — An abandoned baby zebra grows up believing he's a racehorse. With the help of barnyard friends and a teenage girl who dreams of being a jockey, he overcomes prejudice and self-doubt to pursue his dream.

**Ocean's Twelve (PG-13)** — In this sequel to "Ocean's Eleven," rival cat burglars who are masters of their craft team up to outfox the beautiful FBI agent one of them is in love with. Stars George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Bernie Mac and Julia Roberts.

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## Parent-teacher conferences

*Army in Europe policy encourages Soldiers, civilians to play an active role in their children's education*

By Karl Weisel

104th Area Support Group Public Affairs Office

Raising well-educated children takes the involvement of teachers, students and parents. Parent-teacher conferences help ensure that parents are up to date on their children's progress in school, any questions or concerns are addressed, and everyone is informed about how to bring out the best in the educational experience.

"Education of the child is a shared responsibility of the parents and the teacher," said Sue Baker, 104th Area Support school liaison officer. "I'm a firm believer that the parents are an important part in the forming of the building blocks."

"It has to be a cooperative effort between the parents and the teachers all through the child's education," said Baker.

"There really is no excuse for a parent not to attend a parent-teacher conference. That is supposed to be their place of duty during the conference," she said, explaining that Army in Europe Command Policy Letter 36, Parent-Teacher Conferences, signed by Gen. B.B. Bell, U.S. Army Europe commander, directs commanders and supervisors to encourage their Soldiers and employees to attend these conferences.

"The intent of this policy is to ensure that commanders and supervisors are actively engaged with their community Department of Defense Dependents Schools while giving every Soldier and Department of the Army civilian employee who is a parent the opportunity to attend his or her child's scheduled parent-teacher conference," directs the policy. "The Army in Europe is committed to supporting the academic success of students."

The policy further states that Soldiers are required to attend parent-teacher conferences scheduled during the duty day and DA civilians be granted, "at their request, an excused absence to attend the appointed conference."

The conferences, keeping school administrators informed about unit and mission training events, unit-school partnerships and involvement of volunteers and mentors are all a part of USAREUR's and the Defense Education Activity's School Home Community Partnership program.

"Some people just don't know about the policy," said Baker, explaining that with the lengthy deployments and transition of newcomers to local communities, parents, commanders and supervisors may not be aware that conference attendance is mandatory for Soldiers and highly encouraged for civilians.

"High schools hold parent-teacher conferences after the first and third grading periods," she said. "For elementary schools attendance is mandatory after the first grading period and highly encouraged after the other grading periods."



Photo by Karl Weisel

Bad Nauheim Elementary School counselor Sharon Breeding talks to young readers Genequa Christian (right) and Jatyria Buckley during a visit to their second-grade classroom.

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But parents should sit down with teachers whenever they wish to review their child's progress or discuss any problems or issues, Baker said.

"If the parent knows how his or her child is progressing, it's a win-win situation for everyone," said Baker.

Conference schedules are announced in school newsletters and sent home with students. Upcoming conferences are scheduled for the following schools:

✦ **Elementary schools** — Bad Nauheim, Butzbach and Giessen Feb. 4; Argonner, Gelnhausen and Sportfeld Feb. 7; Dexheim March 3 and 4; Aukamm March 4; Hainerberg scheduled by request; Smith, Neubrück and Wetzel April 22.

✦ **Middle schools** — Wiesbaden March 4; Baumholder, Giessen and Hanau April 22.

✦ **High schools** — Wiesbaden March 4; Baumholder, Giessen and Hanau April 22.

Scheduled conferences during the third grading period in April are also used to pre-register students for the next school year, Baker said, adding that early enrollment allows school administrators to determine how much space and resources will be needed during the next school year.

## On DoDDS-E mats

Wiesbaden senior Tony Gagnon puts away a competitor in one of his 145-pound bouts at Gen. H.H. Arnold High School's pentagonal wrestling meet Jan. 22. Gagnon took first place in his weight class helping the Wiesbaden team to second place overall with 128 points. Other Wiesbaden first-place finishers were Chad Abramson at 189 pounds and Greg Surpris at 275 pounds. The Warriors were set to compete in Giessen Jan. 29 and Würzburg Feb. 5.

Photo by Gene Knudsen

## School bits

### Groundhog Job Shadow Day

Department of Dependents Schools Europe students can participate in Groundhog Job Shadow Day Feb. 2. Students will shadow a workplace mentor to see how he or she goes through a day on the job. For more information call your local school or visit the [www.jobshadow.org](http://www.jobshadow.org) website. (DoDDS-Europe Public Affairs)

### G-A business scholarship

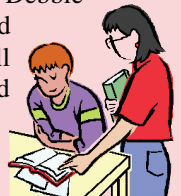
The Kaiserslautern American-German Business Club will award two €1,000 scholarships to students who either come from the Kaiserslautern area or who will study business at the University of Kaiserslautern in the coming academic year. One scholarship will be awarded to an American student, one to a German student. Submit a single-page cover letter with applicant information and academic particulars, and a one-page, double-spaced essay on "How I plan to use my business studies to improve German-American relations" via email to [rhinotom@t-online.de](mailto:rhinotom@t-online.de) or by mail to Thomas Shaver, Attn: AGBC, Selbergstr. 5, 67753 Rothselberg, by Feb. 27.

### DARE graduation at Hainerberg

Hainerberg Elementary School fifth-graders will conduct a Drug Abuse Resistance Education graduation ceremony Feb. 11. Call the school at mil 337-5873/5160.

### Reading Night at Wetzel

Wetzel Elementary School will host a Reading Night Feb. 10 beginning at 6 p.m. Principal Debbie Brooks and Lt. Col. James E. Larsen, 222nd Base Support Battalion commander, will read. Cookies and cocoa will be served and reading games will follow. Cookie donations brought to school by Feb. 8 are very welcome.



### Baumholder teachers voted tops

A well deserved tip of the hat to Baumholder American High School seventh-grade geography teacher Charles Harrell and to AVID teacher and choir director Ronald Lundy. The two were named as among the most inspiring and influential teachers by former students in the 2004 edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers."

### Waves of relief flow to Thailand

The Red Cross Tsunami Relief Fund will receive about \$600 from Wiesbaden American Middle School's team 8A, augmented by faculty donations. The school's eighth-grade AVID students are collecting school supplies for reconstruction efforts in Phuket, Thailand.

### Hanau High happenings

The School Advisory Committee will meet Feb. 2 at 3 p.m. The Booster Club will meet Feb. 9 at 3 p.m. Principal Cristina Echevarria invites parents to join her for lunch at the school Feb. 10 at noon and share issues and concerns. Call civ (06181) 9069910 for information.

### Scholarship deadline nears

Children of active duty, Reserve, Guard and retired Soldiers may still apply for Fisher House Foundation administered Scholarships for Military Children. Go to [www.militaryscholar.org](http://www.militaryscholar.org) for details and to download applications. The filing deadline is Feb. 16.

### Creative Connections 2005

Department of Defense Dependents Schools high school students will take part in a six-day, advanced visual and performing arts jamboree, the 25th annual Creative Connections. Students will study in a range of disciplines and present an art show and performance Feb. 24. Parents, teachers and students are welcome to attend. Call Eric Measells at mil 338-7806 for details. (DoDDS-Europe Public Affairs Release)





# Sports and leisure

## Take a hike

By Donald Seltzer  
Special to the Herald  
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Full listings of volksmarch events are posted on the web at [104thasg.hanau.army.mil](http://104thasg.hanau.army.mil). Readers are asked whenever possible to pick up extra brochures and mail them via MPS to 104th ASG, Herald Union Volksmarch, Unit 20193 Box 0001, APO AE 09165-0001.

### Weekend of Feb. 5-6

**Kleinich/Hunsrück** — This event is north-northwest of Idar-Oberstein. From points east take Autobahns 60 and 61 to exit at Rheinböllen. Follow B-50 past Simmern and Kirchberg to Ober-Kleinich, then take an unnumbered road a short distance to the start. From Idar-Oberstein follow B-422 through Tiefenstein, B-269 north to Morbach and B-327 to Ober-Kleinich to reach an unnumbered road to the start.

**Start:** Gemeindehaus **Saturday:** 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (5, 10 and 15 km) **Sunday:** 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (5, 10 and 15 km) **Trails:** Hilly, woods **Award:** IVV credit only.

**Ramstein-Miesbach** — Consider teaming this walk with an overnight stay in guest lodging on Ramstein Air Base. Call mil 480-4920 or (civ) (06371) 474920 to inquire about room availability. To reach Ramstein follow Autobahns 67 and 6 to the Landstuhl/Air Base exit. Alternately take Autobahns 63 and 6 from the Mainz-Wiesbaden area. Watch for IVV signs leading to the start.

**Start:** Reichswald-Hauptschule **Saturday and Sunday:** 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (5 and 10 km) and 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) **Trail:** Somewhat hilly, mostly woods **Award:** From previous events.

### Weekend of Feb. 12-13

**Nieder-Wiesen** — This event is south-southeast of Bad Kreuznach and accessible via Autobahn 63. Bring boots if the weather is or has been wet; trails have been muddy in years past. Pick up A-63 southbound from Mainz toward Alzey and exit at Erbes-Büdesheim. Follow unnumbered roads through Erbes-Büdesheim and Nack to the start.

**Start:** Gemeindezentrum **Saturday and Sunday:** 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (5 and 10 km) and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) **Trails:** Fairly hilly, fields and woods **Award:** Hedgehog figurine. **Note:** Longer trails have in the past followed a local road for about a kilometer.

### Weekend of Feb. 19-20

**Bad Marienberg** — Although it's a bit of a drive this walk in the Hoher Westerwald region of

central Germany should be rather pretty. From the Giessen area take Autobahn 45 toward Herborn and Siegen, exit at Herborn-West to link up with B-255 and B-414. Drive west toward Hachenburg and watch for IVV signs.

**Start:** Schulzentrum **Saturday and Sunday:** 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (6 and 10 km) and 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) **Trail:** Hilly, woods **Award:** Candle and stand.

**Weierbach** — Close to home for readers in Idar-Oberstein, this event is known for its gemstone awards. From points east take Autobahn 60 and B-41 toward Idar-Oberstein and Kirn to reach Weierbach. It's a fairly short drive toward Bad Kreuznach on B-41 for wanderers in Idar-Oberstein to reach the start.

**Start:** Hessenstein-Halle **Saturday:** 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (6 and 10 km) and 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) **Sunday:** 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (6 and 10 km) and 7:30 a.m. to noon (20 km) **Trail:** Very hilly with a long uphill start, neighborhoods and woods **Award:** Gemstone featuring the church in the rock **Note:** Short trail is stroller-friendly.

### Weekend of Feb. 26-27

**Münster-Sarmsheim** — This easily reached event is southwest of Bingen. From points east take Autobahns 60 to Bingen and 61 toward Koblenz. Exit at Dorsheim and backtrack a bit toward Bingen to pick up B-48 to the start.

**Start:** Grundschule **Saturday and Sunday:** 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (5 and 10 km) **Trail:** Somewhat hilly, fields and woods **Award:** From previous events.

**Rothenburg ob der Tauber** — This walk explores the medieval walled city of Rothenburg. The Saturday-only old town walk offers a mini-tour of its many sights and shops. A special 25 percent admission discount to a number of museums and attractions is available upon presentation of an IVV start card. This event is crowded but not overwhelming, and parking is plentiful. Follow Autobahns 5, 6 and 7 past Heidelberg, Heilbronn and Crailsheim to reach Rothenburg. Alternately take Autobahns 3 and 7 via Würzburg and Kitzingen.

**Start:** Sporthalle on Erlbacher Strasse **Saturday:** 7 a.m. to noon (6, 11 and 20 km outside of city) and noon to 5 p.m. (11 km old-city trail) **Sunday:** 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (6 and 11 km) and 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) **Trails:** Old city routes are paved with some steps; surrounding area is hilly with woods **Award:** Beer mug.



**Villmar** — This event due east of Limburg is in the scenic Naturpark Hochtäunus. Take Autobahn 3 toward Köln and exit at Limburg-Süd. Follow B-8 toward Lindenholzhausen to reach Niederbrechen where an unnumbered road will lead to Villmar.

**Start:** Schule **Saturday and Sunday:** 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (5, 10 and 20 km) **Trails:** Hilly, woods **Award:** Umbrella.

### Weekend of March 5-6

**Ludwigshafen am Rhein** — Trails at this event bring wanderers to the banks of the Rhein River. From the central portion of the 104th ASG take Autobahn 67 south to the Viernheimer Dreieck, pick up Autobahn 6 toward Ludwigshafen and exit at Ludwigshafen-Nord to follow IVV signs to the start. From Mainz head south on Autobahn 61 to pick up Autobahn 6 eastbound and, as above, exit at Ludwigshafen-Nord.

**Start:** Gemeinschaftshaus in the Ludwigshafen suburb of Pfingstweide **Saturday and Sunday:** 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (5, 10 and 20 km) **Trails:** Flat, mostly stroller-friendly fields, riverbank trails **Award:** Porcelain egg.

**Tiefenbach/Braunfels** — This town on the northern edge of Naturpark Hochtäunus lies in an area with many scenic attractions. Don't confuse it with another town of the same name in the Hunsrück region. From Giessen take B-49 west toward Limburg to an unnumbered road just past Bahnhof Braunfels which leads to the start. From elsewhere take Autobahn 3, exit at Limburg-Nord and take B-49 toward Giessen. Turn off B-49 just past Biskirchen to reach Tiefenbach.

**Start:** Mehrzweckhalle **Saturday and Sunday:** 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (5, 10 and 20 km) **Trails:** Very hilly, woods **Award:** Decorative heart-shaped candle stand.

### Weekend of March 12-13

**Simmern/Hunsrück** — This walk is in the Hunsrück region west of Bingen, one of Germany's prettiest areas. Take Autobahns 60 and 61 to the Rheinböllen exit and pick up B-50 toward Kirchberg and Simmern. Follow an unnumbered road for the final mile or so to Simmern. From Idar-Oberstein follow B-41, B-421 and B-50 to Simmern.

**Start:** Hunsrückhalle **Saturday:** 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (5 and 10 km) and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (20 km) **Sunday:** 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (5, 10 and 20 km) **Trails:** Hilly, woods and fields **Award:** Child's backpack **Note:** Historic city wandering begins at 11 a.m.

Questions? Send email to [volksmarch@hotmail.com](mailto:volksmarch@hotmail.com).



Photo by Dennis Johnson

## Off the wall

Heidelberg's Paul George (left) smacks the ball during a match against Schwetzingen's Larry Gregg at the Hanau Raquetball Tournament Jan. 15. George took first place in the Men's B Category. Other first-place winners were Men's Open and Men's Masters — Kaiserslautern's Mike Bowers, Women's Open — Baumholder's Tammie Milkes, Men's C — Mannheim's John Almodovar, Men's Seniors — Ramstein's Tony Tingley. Hanau's Brian Cornell took second in the Men's B Category and Hanau's Adegoke Adelakun placed second in the Men's C Category.

## Things to do ... Things to do

### Hip-hop jazz dance

Hanau's Cardwell Youth Services features hip-hop jazz dance classes for middle and high school students Fridays from 4-5 p.m. Call mil 323-3919.

### USO highlights

Rhein Main Area USOs in Wiesbaden, Hanau, at Rhein-Main Air Base and the Frankfurt Airport feature the following upcoming tours and events: **Carnival in Venice** Feb. 3-6; **Roman Aachen** Feb. 5; **Luxembourg City Tour** Feb. 12; **Romantic Wine Tasting and Candlelit Dinner with Eric the Red** Feb. 13; **Budapest, Vienna and Salzburg Tour** Feb. 17-21; **Wiesbaden by Night** Feb. 18; **Paris Express** Feb. 18-20; **Evelin's Wellness Paradise** Feb. 21; **Limburg and Birkenstock Factory** Feb. 26; **Wiesbaden City Tour** Feb. 26. Stop by the USOs for more information.

### Time to go skiing

Giessen Outdoor Recreation features ski trips to **Winterberg** Feb. 5 and 26, the **Black Forest** Feb. 12-13 and **Garmisch** Feb. 19-21. Call mil 343-8202 for details. Hanau Outdoor Rec offers ski and snowboard trips to **Hintertux, Austria**, Feb. 6-8; **Oberammergau and Garmisch** Feb. 13-16; and the **Black Forest** Feb. 24-25 and 28-29. Call mil 322-6015. Baumholder Outdoor Recreation features **Black Forest Ski Trips** Feb. 5 and 19, an **Austria Ski Weekend** Feb. 10-14 and a **Switzerland Ski**

**Weekend Feb. 25-27.** Call mil 485-7003. Wiesbaden Outdoor Rec holds **ski trips to the Feldberg in the Black Forest** Feb. 5 and 19-20, to **Austria** Feb. 11-14 and **Switzerland** Feb. 12 and 26. Call mil 337-5760.

### Black History Lunch

Dexheim's Rheinlander Club will feature ethnic dishes from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 15-18 in observance of Black History Month. Cost is \$6. An exhibit will be on display. Call mil 334-5712 for reservations of parties of 10 or more.

### On local stages

Giessen's Keller Theater will present **"The Belle of Amherst"** Feb. 11, 12, 17-19 and 24-26. Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. Call mil 343-6515/6400 for tickets. The Amelia Earhart Playhouse will present **"The Passion of Dracula"** Feb. 17-20 and 24-27. Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. except for Sunday performances, which are at 6 p.m. Pick up tickets at the Hainerberg or Wiesbaden Army Airfield USO or call the theater for reservations at civ (0611) 816-2473, mil 336-2473.

The Internationales Theater Frankfurt presents performances of **"Fiddler on the Roof Jr."** Feb. 5 at 2 and 6 p.m., and Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. The Internationales Theater is located at Hanauerlandstr. 5-7. Call civ (069) 499 0980 for tickets.

Frankfurt's English Theater presents **"Cabaret"** through Feb. 12. Call civ (069) 2423 1620. The theater is located at Kaiserstr. 34.



# Sports and leisure

## Baumholder unit wins Supercup

### Team from 2-6th Infantry takes ASG's unit-level championship

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A couple of last minute free throws made the difference at the 104th Area Support Group's Supercup Unit-Level Basketball Championship in Giessen Jan. 15.

"The score was 53-52 with just seconds left and the 284th Base Support Battalion team (Company B, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Field Artillery) leading the 222nd BSB team when a time-out was called by Giessen," said Josue Lopez, a recreational specialist with the 284th BSB's Sports and Fitness.

"When the officials realized the 284th BSB team didn't have any time-outs left they called a technical foul and the 2-6th Infantry team from Baumholder took it to the free-throw line," Lopez said.

Juan Perez toed the line for the 222nd BSB, took aim at the basket and sank both shots putting the team from Company B, 2nd Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment, ahead, 54-53. Besides banging home the Supercup victory, Perez was also credited as the team's lead scorer in the championship game by coach John Sisseck.

"Everyone on the team showed a lot of character," said Sisseck.

"We did well."

Robert Grey was the high scorer for the Baumholder team in the day's preliminary match-up against a team from Company B, 1st Military Intelligence Battalion, representing the 221st BSB. "At one stage he went five for five from the three-point range," said Sisseck.

The coach also praised the performance of Emilio Garza. "He's hard to match up and is just a monster on the boards."

"The Supercup is normally a 64-team tournament with it coming down to the final four," said Lopez. The event is modeled on the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Final Four Tournament. Unit-level teams compete at the BSB level to decide which one team from each BSB will advance to the 104th ASG tournament.

While the 222nd BSB team put away the 221st BSB to advance to the final, the home team (284th BSB) got a bye against the 414th BSB which couldn't field a team due to military mission requirements. The winning 414th BSB team from the 5th Battalion, 7th Air Defense Artillery, was forced to bail out when duty called, according to a 414th BSB sports official.

Coach Sisseck said his 2-6th Infantry team had gone 8-0 in company-level play leading up to the Supercup. "We've been playing together for about two months. We usually get about one practice a week on Saturdays."

After the Supercup the team was competing locally in unit-level play in Baumholder with a champion-



Emilio Garza lays one up for the 2-6th Infantry team representing the 222nd Base Support Battalion as teammate Robert Grey moves in to support during the semifinals of the Supercup.



Juan Perez runs the court for the 2-6th Infantry, representing the 222nd Base Support Battalion, in a match-up against a team from Company B, 1st Military Intelligence Battalion, representing the 221st Base Support Battalion at the Supercup in Giessen Jan. 15.

ship game set for Jan. 24, he said.

The 284th BSB holds a Unit-Level Basketball Championship Feb. 12-13. Enrollment is free to unit teams only. Teams may include up to 12 players and two non-playing

coaches. NCAA rules will apply. Team trophies will be presented to the first, second and third place winners. Call Giessen's Miller Hall Fitness Center at mil 343-7201 or 8206 for more information.

#### Super Bowl highlights

See page 15 of this issue for a look at the many Super Bowl events, when the New England Patriots take on the Philadelphia Eagles, being held in 104th Area Support Group communities.

#### Hanau boxing Feb. 12

The Fliegerhorst Fitness Center will host the 18th annual Black History Month Boxing Tournament Feb. 12. Admission is \$3; free for children 12 and under. Doors open at 5 p.m. Bouts begin at 6 p.m. Call civ (06181) 88-7672 or mil 322-7672 for details.

#### Brigade champions

Company B, 1st Battalion, 36th Infantry, won in overtime with a 65-61 victory over Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 37th Armor, to claim 1st Brigade's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Basketball Tournament in Friedberg Jan. 12. A team from HHC, 1-36th Infantry, took third place. The Warriors' Reggie Isaman led all scorers with 26 points. The winning team's Carlos Guzman was named most valuable player and Jeff Anderson was the three-point winner, followed by Isaman. Friedberg's Brian Walker of HHC, 1-36th Infantry, was named Ray Barracks' 2004 most valuable player. Walker led his unit-level flag football team to three titles, and the 284th Base

## Sports shorts

Support Battalion community-level flag football team to a second place finish at the 2004 U.S. Army-Europe Community Level Flag Football Championships in Stuttgart last year. (Courtesy of Kathryn Walker)

#### Free aerobics

Free aerobics classes are held in Butzbach's Roman Way Village. Call mil 343-7201 or 8206 for times and days of classes.

#### Basketball, soccer tournaments

The Miller Hall Fitness Center will host the 284th Base Support Battalion Unit Level Basketball Championships in Giessen Feb. 12-13. Entry is free and teams are limited to 12 players and two non-playing coaches. A preseason Indoor Soccer Tournament will be held Feb. 26-27. Entry is free. Teams are limited to 15 players and one non-playing coach. For details call mil 343-7201 or civ (0641) 402-7201.

#### Icebreaker Run in Dexheim

Dexheim Sports and Fitness hosts the 2005 Icebreaker Run Feb. 5. Registration is from 8-9:45 a.m. the day of the race and costs \$25. For details call civ (06133) or mil 334-5746.

#### YS baseball, softball signup

Registration for Baumholder Youth Sports baseball and softball for youths age 5-18 continues through March 18. Volunteer coaches are needed as well. Call mil 485-7003 for information and to register.

#### Fun run, boxing

Wiesbaden's Tony Bass Fitness Center holds a Healthy Heart Fun Run Feb. 5 at 10 a.m. and an Open and Novice Boxing Tournament Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. Call mil 337-5541 for information.

#### Pre-season soccer

The Friedberg Fitness Center hosts a Pre-Season Indoor Soccer Tournament Feb. 26-27. Entry is free. Call mil 324-3155 or 3552 for details.

#### Young athlete training

Wiesbaden's Tony Bass Fitness Center holds young athlete strength and speed training for individuals, groups or teams. Call mil 337-5943.

#### Marathon training

Get ready for the Gutenberg Marathon in Mainz May 8. Wiesbaden's Tony Bass Fitness Center holds marathon training including instructor-led runs, nutrition and sports medicine classes and more five days a week.